

# PUBLIC NOTICE OF COPPER RETIREMENT UNDER RULE 51.333 COPPER RETIREMENT ID NO. 2025-01-AR

## Notice Date: June 24, 2025

- Carrier: Windstream Arkansas, LLC 4005 North Rodney Parham Road Little Rock, AR 72212
- **Contact:** For additional information on the planned network changes, please contact: wci.wholesale.account.management@windstream.com

Change Effective Date: On November 24, 2025

### Planned Network Change(s) will occur at the following locations in Arkansas:

Windstream Exchange	CLLI
Sheridan, AR	SHRDARXA
Leola, AR	LEOLARXA
Prattsville, AR	PRVIARXA

Website Link to Notice Posting: <u>https://www.windstream.com/about/legal/network-change-notifications</u> (ID No. 2025-01-AR)

## **Description of the Planned Network Change(s):**

Windstream intends to retire the copper facilities at all remaining locations in the three (3) exchanges listed above. Windstream has or will deploy fiber-to-the-premises network in these areas and intends to provide services on a go forward basis over a fiber network infrastructure. Updating our network from copper to fiber benefits our customers because of fiber's resiliency and reliability, especially in inclement weather. Fiber also provides our customers with expanded capabilities to grow with current bandwidth demands for their home or business.

## **Description of Reasonably Foreseeable Impact(s) of the Planned Change(s):**

After the retirement of the copper facilities, Windstream will: (1) no longer offer services over copper facilities; and (2) cease maintaining the copper facilities. To help ensure an orderly transition, Windstream may require customers and interconnecting entities to migrate services off of copper facilities well before the copper retirement implementation date.